Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others; and,

Whereas, Gary Korzan has given 31 years of dedicated public service to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development, formerly known as the Farmers Home Administration, beginning January 1981, in Parkston, South Dakota, as an Assistant County Supervisor and advancing through the years to his present position as Business and Cooperative Development Specialist; and,

Whereas, Gary has had a distinguished career with the USDA Rural Development, and as a program director, due to his knowledge in the business and cooperative program areas, specialty lending programs, and because of the relationships he has built with community counterparts and contacts throughout the state of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Gary proudly served active military service with the United States Air Force and retired in October 2002 from the South Dakota Air National Guard with 21 years of faithful service; and,

Whereas, Retirement for Gary will allow more time for reading and woodworking, spending time with his wife, Jeanice, their two wonderful children, and one grandchild; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan as Gary's colleagues, family, and friends gather on January 28, 2008, to honor and congratulate him:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 1, 2008, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his colleagues, friends, and family as they recognize Gary for his commitment to a successful career and extend best wishes for a healthy and happy retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighteenth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State